

Space Force nominations beginning with Rachel T. Alessi and ending with Heather L. Young, which nominations were received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record on March 7, 2022.

Space Force nominations beginning with Luke M. Sauter and ending with Zachary W. Fields, which nominations were received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record on March 10, 2022.

(Nominations without an asterisk were reported with the recommendation that they be confirmed.)

INTRODUCTION OF BILLS AND JOINT RESOLUTIONS

The following bills and joint resolutions were introduced, read the first and second times by unanimous consent, and referred as indicated:

By Mr. RISCH (for himself, Mr. CRAPO, and Mr. SCOTT of Florida):

S. 3912. A bill to amend the National Labor Relations Act and the Labor Management Relations Act, 1947 to deter labor slowdowns and prohibit labor organizations from blocking modernization efforts at ports of the United States, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

By Mr. KAINE (for himself, Ms. BALDWIN, Ms. SMITH, and Mr. MURPHY):

S. 3913. A bill to amend the Public Health Service Act with respect to public health data accessibility, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

By Mr. ROUNDS:

S. 3914. A bill to require the Securities and Exchange Commission to revise the definition of a qualifying investment, for purposes of the exemption from registration for venture capital fund advisers under the Investment Advisers Act of 1940, to include an equity security issued by a qualifying portfolio company and to include an investment in another venture capital fund, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

By Mr. BARRASSO (for himself and Mr. MANCHIN):

S. 3915. A bill to require the Secretary of Energy to provide technology grants to strengthen domestic mining education, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

By Mr. ROUNDS:

S. 3916. A bill to permit the Securities and Exchange Commission to increase regulatory exemption thresholds, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

By Mr. INHOFE (for himself, Mr. BRAUN, Mrs. BLACKBURN, Mr. KENNEDY, Mr. PAUL, Mr. SCOTT of Florida, and Mr. LANKFORD):

S. 3917. A bill to apply the Medicaid asset verification program to all applicants for, and recipients of, medical assistance in all States and territories, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. HEINRICH (for himself and Ms. COLLINS):

S. 3918. A bill to establish programs to improve family economic security by breaking the cycle of multigenerational poverty, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

By Mr. TILLIS:

S. 3919. A bill to amend the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 to provide that an issuer that is required to file certain quarterly reports may elect to file those reports semi-annually; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

By Ms. DUCKWORTH:

S. 3920. A bill to protect consumers from price-gouging of gasoline and other fuels, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

By Mr. TILLIS (for himself and Mr. SCOTT of South Carolina):

S. 3921. A bill to amend the Securities Act of 1933 to expand the definition of a qualifying accredited investor, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

By Mr. CRAMER:

S. 3922. A bill to amend the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 to create a safe harbor for finders and private placement brokers, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

By Mr. CRAMER (for himself and Mr. TILLIS):

S. 3923. A bill to amend the Dodd-Frank Wall Street Reform and Consumer Protection Act to repeal certain provisions requiring non-material disclosure, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

By Mr. RUBIO (for himself, Mr. COTTON, Mr. GRASSLEY, Mr. JOHNSON, Mr. LANKFORD, and Mr. BARRASSO):

S. 3924. A bill to amend the Global Magnitsky Human Rights Accountability Act to extend the sunset for sanctions with respect to human rights violations; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

By Mr. RUBIO:

S. 3925. A bill to impose sanctions with respect to foreign persons responsible for the negligent creation of space debris, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

By Mr. SCOTT of Florida (for himself and Mr. BRAUN):

S. 3926. A bill to amend the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 to address the issuance of securities by Chinese entities, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

By Mr. PETERS (for Mrs. SHAHEEN (for herself, Mr. YOUNG, Mr. PETERS, and Mr. CRAMER)):

S. 3927. A bill to establish the Mental Health Excellence in Schools Program to increase the recruitment and retention of school-based mental health services providers, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

By Mr. PADILLA (for himself and Mr. MENENDEZ):

S. 3928. A bill to establish a program so that small business concerns owned and controlled by socially and economically disadvantaged individuals may achieve proficiency to compete, on an equal basis, for contracts and subcontracts in Department of Transportation projects, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

By Mr. PADILLA (for himself, Mr. MENENDEZ, and Mr. WARNOCK):

S. 3929. A bill to provide for disadvantaged business enterprise supportive services programs at modal administrations of the Department of Transportation, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

By Ms. LUMMIS (for herself and Mr. HAGERTY):

S. 3930. A bill to amend the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 to permit certain defendants to remove administrative proceedings to Federal court; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

By Ms. LUMMIS:

S. 3931. A bill to require the Securities and Exchange Commission to extend exemptions for securities offered as part of employee pay to other individuals providing goods for sale,

labor, or services for remuneration, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

SUBMISSION OF CONCURRENT AND SENATE RESOLUTIONS

The following concurrent resolutions and Senate resolutions were read, and referred (or acted upon), as indicated:

By Mr. WARNER:

S. Res. 556. A resolution commemorating the 90th birthday of former Mayor of Atlanta, ambassador, and congressional representative Andrew Jackson Young and recognizing the contributions of Andrew Jackson Young to civil and human rights and his work to uplift Georgia; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. BROWN (for himself, Mr. SCOTT of South Carolina, and Mr. BLUMENTHAL):

S. Res. 557. A resolution recognizing the week of March 20 through March 26, 2022 as "National Poison Prevention Week" and encouraging communities across the United States to raise awareness of the dangers of poisoning and promote poison prevention; considered and agreed to.

ADDITIONAL COSPONSORS

S. 98

At the request of Mr. CARDIN, the names of the Senator from Georgia (Mr. WARNOCK), the Senator from Colorado (Mr. BENNET) and the Senator from Connecticut (Mr. MURPHY) were added as cosponsors of S. 98, a bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to allow a credit against tax for neighborhood revitalization, and for other purposes.

S. 805

At the request of Mr. LEE, the name of the Senator from South Dakota (Mr. THUNE) was added as a cosponsor of S. 805, a bill to repeal the wage requirements of the Davis-Bacon Act.

S. 916

At the request of Mr. SANDERS, the name of the Senator from Massachusetts (Ms. WARREN) was added as a cosponsor of S. 916, a bill to provide adequate funding for water and sewer infrastructure, and for other purposes.

S. 1158

At the request of Mr. SCHATZ, the names of the Senator from California (Mr. PADILLA) and the Senator from New Mexico (Mr. LUJÁN) were added as cosponsors of S. 1158, a bill to provide paid family and medical leave to Federal employees, and for other purposes.

S. 1302

At the request of Mr. BROWN, the name of the Senator from Nevada (Ms. ROSEN) was added as a cosponsor of S. 1302, a bill to amend title II of the Social Security Act to repeal the Government pension offset and windfall elimination provisions.

S. 1856

At the request of Mr. SCHATZ, the name of the Senator from New York (Mr. SCHUMER) was added as a cosponsor of S. 1856, a bill to enhance the security operations of the Transportation Security Administration and

stability of the transportation security workforce by applying the personnel system under title 5, United States Code, to employees of the Transportation Security Administration, and for other purposes.

S. 2050

At the request of Mr. CRAPO, the names of the Senator from Wyoming (Ms. LUMMIS) and the Senator from Tennessee (Mr. HAGERTY) were added as cosponsors of S. 2050, a bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to remove silencers from the definition of firearms, and for other purposes.

S. 2069

At the request of Ms. STABENOW, the name of the Senator from Texas (Mr. CORNYN) was added as a cosponsor of S. 2069, a bill to expand the Medicaid certified community behavioral health clinic demonstration program and to authorize funding for additional grants to certified community behavioral health clinics.

S. 2343

At the request of Mr. WARNER, the names of the Senator from New Mexico (Mr. LUJÁN) and the Senator from Oregon (Mr. WYDEN) were added as cosponsors of S. 2343, a bill to require the head of each agency to establish a safety plan relating to COVID-19 for any worksite at which employees or contractors are required to be physically present during the COVID-19 pandemic, and for other purposes.

S. 2607

At the request of Mr. PADILLA, the names of the Senator from New Jersey (Mr. BOOKER), the Senator from Maine (Mr. KING), the Senator from North Carolina (Mr. TILLIS) and the Senator from Oregon (Mr. WYDEN) were added as cosponsors of S. 2607, a bill to award a Congressional Gold Medal to the former hostages of the Iran Hostage Crisis of 1979–1981, highlighting their resilience throughout the unprecedented ordeal that they lived through and the national unity it produced, marking 4 decades since their 444 days in captivity, and recognizing their sacrifice to the United States.

S. 3518

At the request of Mr. SCHATZ, the name of the Senator from Virginia (Mr. KAINE) was added as a cosponsor of S. 3518, a bill to increase the rates of pay under the statutory pay systems and for prevailing rate employees by 5.1 percent, and for other purposes.

S. 3522

At the request of Mr. CORNYN, the names of the Senator from Maine (Mr. KING) and the Senator from Iowa (Ms. ERNST) were added as cosponsors of S. 3522, a bill to provide enhanced authority for the President to enter into agreements with the Government of Ukraine to lend or lease defense articles to that Government to protect civilian populations in Ukraine from Russian military invasion, and for other purposes.

S. 3580

At the request of Ms. KLOBUCHAR, the names of the Senator from Washington

(Ms. CANTWELL) and the Senator from Mississippi (Mr. WICKER) were added as cosponsors of S. 3580, a bill to amend title 46, United States Code, with respect to prohibited acts by ocean common carriers or marine terminal operators, and for other purposes.

S. 3725

At the request of Mr. PORTMAN, the name of the Senator from New Hampshire (Mrs. SHAHEEN) was added as a cosponsor of S. 3725, a bill to withdraw normal trade relations treatment from products of countries that commit acts of aggression in violation of international law against other countries or territories and to amend the Global Magnitsky Human Rights Accountability Act to modify the foreign persons subject to sanctions and to remove the sunset for the imposition of sanctions.

S. 3771

At the request of Mr. CORNYN, the names of the Senator from Tennessee (Mrs. BLACKBURN) and the Senator from Indiana (Mr. BRAUN) were added as cosponsors of S. 3771, a bill to prohibit United States persons from engaging in transactions with foreign persons that purchase or transact in gold from the Russian Federation.

S. 3850

At the request of Mr. PETERS, the name of the Senator from Maine (Mr. KING) was added as a cosponsor of S. 3850, a bill to increase the number of U.S. Customs and Border Protection Customs and Border Protection officers and support staff and to require reports that identify staffing, infrastructure, and equipment needed to enhance security at ports of entry.

S. 3867

At the request of Ms. WARREN, the name of the Senator from Illinois (Mr. DURBIN) was added as a cosponsor of S. 3867, a bill to impose sanctions with respect to the use of cryptocurrency to facilitate transactions by Russian persons subject to sanctions, and for other purposes.

S. 3889

At the request of Mr. SCOTT of South Carolina, the name of the Senator from South Dakota (Mr. ROUNDS) was added as a cosponsor of S. 3889, a bill to reform the labor laws of the United States, and for other purposes.

S. 3905

At the request of Mr. PETERS, the names of the Senator from New Hampshire (Ms. HASSAN) and the Senator from Iowa (Ms. ERNST) were added as cosponsors of S. 3905, a bill to prevent organizational conflicts of interest in Federal acquisition, and for other purposes.

S.J. RES. 17

At the request of Mr. KAINE, the name of the Senator from Utah (Mr. ROMNEY) was added as a cosponsor of S.J. Res. 17, a joint resolution requiring the advice and consent of the Senate or an Act of Congress to suspend, terminate, or withdraw the United

States from the North Atlantic Treaty and authorizing related litigation, and for other purposes.

S.J. RES. 43

At the request of Mrs. HYDE-SMITH, the names of the Senator from Missouri (Mr. HAWLEY) and the Senator from South Carolina (Mr. SCOTT) were added as cosponsors of S.J. Res. 43, a joint resolution providing for congressional disapproval under chapter 8 of title 5, United States Code, of the rule submitted by the Department of the Treasury and the Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services relating to "Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act; Updating Payment Parameters, Section 1332 Waiver Implementing Regulations, and Improving Health Insurance Markets for 2022 and Beyond".

S. RES. 547

At the request of Mr. MENENDEZ, the names of the Senator from New York (Mrs. GILLIBRAND), the Senator from Nevada (Ms. CORTEZ MASTO) and the Senator from New York (Mr. SCHUMER) were added as cosponsors of S. Res. 547, a resolution recognizing the 201st anniversary of Greek Independence and celebrating democracy in Greece and the United States.

STATEMENTS ON INTRODUCED BILLS AND JOINT RESOLUTIONS

By Mr. KAINE (for himself, Ms. BALDWIN, Ms. SMITH, and Mr. MURPHY):

S. 3913. A bill to amend the Public Health Service Act with respect to public health data accessibility, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

Mr. KAINE. Mr. President, the COVID-19 pandemic has caused extraordinary challenges for our Nation's public health system and put a spotlight on longstanding gaps in public health preparedness. Our Nation's public health system needs accurate, timely, and high-quality data to protect the public from emerging health threats and to respond to existing public health emergencies.

For far too long, gaps in data infrastructure have prevented policymakers and public health officials from quickly translating public health data into their decisionmaking. Outdated and inconsistent public health data systems have made it hard for Federal, State, local, Tribal, and territorial public health departments to get a full picture of the COVID-19 crisis. In turn, these data gaps have made it difficult for public health departments to tailor their responses. Specifically, inconsistent definitions of data, ambiguous reporting requirements, and data accessibility issues have hindered the U.S. response to the COVID-19 pandemic and prevented the timely communication of public health data.

We know that effective pandemic prevention and response requires coordinated efforts between public health